

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
EDISON-BETHUNE CHARTER ACADEMY**

1616 S Fruit Ave, Fresno, CA 93706

June 15, 2017

5:30pm

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR PRESENTATIONS TO
THE BOARD BY PARENTS AND CITIZENS**

The Edison-Bethune Charter Academy (“EBCA”) welcomes your participation at the EBCA Board meetings. The purpose of a public meeting of the Board of Directors (“Board”) is to conduct the affairs of the EBCA in public. Your participation assures us of continuing community interest in our EBCA. To assist you in the ease of speaking/participating in our meetings, the following guidelines are provided:

1. Agendas are available to all audience members at the door to the meeting.
2. “Request to Speak” forms are available to all audience members who wish to speak on any agenda items or under the general category of “Oral Communications.” “Oral Communications” is set aside for members of the audience to raise issues that are not specifically on the agenda. However, due to public meeting laws, the Board can only listen to your issue, not respond or take action. These presentations are limited to three (3) minutes and total time allotted to non-agenda items will not exceed fifteen (15) minutes. The Board may give direction to staff to respond to your concern or you may be offered the option of returning with a citizen-requested item.
3. You may also complete a “Request to Speak” form to address the Board on Agenda items. With regard to such agenda items, you may specify that agenda item on your “Request to Speak” form and you will be given an opportunity to speak for up to five (5) minutes when the Board discusses that item.
4. When addressing the Board, speakers are requested to state their name and address from the podium and adhere to the time limits set forth.
5. Any public records relating to an agenda item for an open session of the Board which are distributed to all, or a majority of all, of the Board members shall be available for public inspection at 1616 S Fruit Ave, Fresno, CA 93706.

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I. PRELIMINARY

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by the Board Chair at 6:02pm.

B. ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
Frances Davis	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Gretchen Saldana	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
Jamie Gearon	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
Tony Smith	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
Jere Runciman	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Larry Arce	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Brenda Paxton	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>

C. FLAG SALUTE

D. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Frances asks for a motion to adopt the Adoption of Agenda...Brenda makes the motion to adopt the Adoption of Agenda.....Jerry seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed
 Vote FD-Yes GS-Absent JG-Absent TS-Absent JR-Yes LA-Yes BP-Yes
 Motion Carried

II. COMMUNICATIONS

A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: Non-agenda items: no individual presentation shall be for more than three (3) minutes and the total time for this purpose shall not exceed fifteen (15) minutes. Ordinarily, Board members will not respond to presentations and no action can be taken due to California’s public meeting laws. However, the Board may give direction to staff following a presentation.

The Board may not have complete information available to answer questions and may refer specific concerns to the Executive Director for attention. The Board requests that any person wishing to make complaints against EBCA or EBCA employees file the appropriate complaint form prior to this meeting. We appreciate your input and EBCA will respond to your complaint in accordance with our complaint policies and procedures.

B. For Information:
 This is a presentation of information which has occurred since the previous Board meeting. No action will be taken as the report is purely for informational purposes.

Report from Executive Director/Principal – Mr. Garcia

The Executive Director will update the Board on current events on campus, including but not limited to the events and important information around campus.

Mr. Garcia shared:

- Summer School starts on Tuesday June 13, 2017. About 100+ students enrolled with 5 teachers. Lots of students sign up but change their mind at the end.
- Planning for next school year, did job interviews today.

Report from Curriculum and Instruction Director – Mr. Sprattling

The Curriculum and Instruction Director will update the Board regarding student assessments and curriculum.

Mr. Sprattling shared:

- Finished testing and scores looked better in ELA. Went from Red to Yellow.
- Math scores haven't come back yet.

Frances wanted to know if our school can be compared to others. The answer was, no. These are the preliminary results.

Report from Truancy Mediation Liaison – Mr. Solis

The Truancy Mediation Liaison will update the Board regarding student attendance and discipline.

Mr. Solis shared:

- 95.3% approx. ADA
- 5th and 6th grade had a 96% in attendance and were the winners for the 4th quarter.
- Jim Costa's assistant, donated funds for food, given at the Celebrity Softball Game.
- Had our Celebrity Softball Game. Those present were Channel 47 News, Fresno P.D., and Pastor Criner.
- Students, parents, guests and staff really enjoyed the game.
- Teachers won against the celebrities.

Report from Technology Director – Mr. Lek

The Technology Director will update the Board regarding technology on campus.

Mr. Lek shared:

- Disengaging from Infinite Campus to Aeries system. Training for the new student information system will be on Tues. and Wed. of next week.

Frances wanted to know if it's compatible with the Fresno Unified system. Answer was no, but it's similar.

Brenda asked if the rollover would be smooth. Answer was that everything was trying to get leveled and completed for next year. Of course having possible glitches.

Susan shared:

- Aeries is compatible and more specific with the info needed to report to the state of California.

- Expected to have a complete rollover, have been on phone with them all day today.
- Training next Tues. and Wed. with Admin. Training on attendance and grading with teachers will be when they come back.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered by the Board to be routine and will be approved/enacted by the Board in one motion in the form listed below. Unless specifically requested by a Board member for further discussion or removed from the agenda, there will be no discussion of these items prior to the Board votes on them. The director recommends approval of all consent agenda items.

A. Approval of Minutes of Board Meeting of May 25, 2017.

B. Approval of Warrant Report for May 2017.

Frances asks for a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda and for the approval of A. and B....Larry makes the motion to adopt the Consent Agenda ...Brenda seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed

Vote FD-Yes GS-Absent JG-Absent TS-Absent JR-Yes LA-Yes BP-Yes
Motion Carried

IV. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

A. Approve the 2017-18 Budget

Susan presented the budget from the Public Hearing and recommends for their approval.

Frances asks for a motion to approve the 2017-18 Budget...Larry makes a motion to approve the 2017-18 budget....Brenda seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed

Vote FD-Yes GS-Absent JG-Absent TS-Absent JR-Yes LA-Yes BP-Yes
Motion Carried

B. Approve the 2017-18 LCAP

Susan presented the LCAP from the Public Hearing making a point of having a strong program, qualified staff and financially being transparent of where the money is being spent as required. She recommends for their approval.

Frances asks for a motion to approve the 2017-18 Budget...Brenda makes a motion to approve the 2017-18 LCAP....Jere seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed

Vote FD-Yes GS-Absent JG-Absent TS-Absent JR-Yes LA-Yes BP-Yes
Motion Carried

- C. Purchase of Chromebook, Carts, Document Cameras and Laptops
Jere asked about CBW and Zones quotes. Mr. Lek shared that he shopped around for the best prices. He clarified that the Carts and Chromebooks would be purchased from Zones. Laptops would be purchased from CBW. Jere also wanted to know about the laptops being purchased. The answer was that the laptops would be purchased for the teachers. The document cameras will also be purchased.

Frances asks for a motion to approve purchase of Chromebooks, Carts, Document Cameras and Laptops....Jere makes a motion to purchase Chromebooks, Carts, Document Cameras and Laptops...Brenda seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed
Vote FD-Yes GS-Absent JG-Absent TS-Absent JR-Yes LA-Yes BP-Yes
Motion Carried

- D. Purchase of School furniture
Mr. Garcia shared there was a need for 6th grade of 60 desks and 60 chairs.

Frances makes a motion for the approval of the purchase of School furniture....Larry makes a motion to approve the purchase of School furniture...Brenda seconds the motion...request for discussion none-needed
Vote FD-Yes GS-Absent JG-Absent TS-Absent JR-Yes LA-Yes BP-Yes
Motion Carried

V. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION

- A. New Hires for 2017-18 (Instructional Aides and Noon Time Assistants)
Mr. Garcia shared:
- Timing with Board Meeting, today IA's were interviewed. Will be hiring 3 IA's.
 - 4 NTA's needed.
 - 3 accepted today and 2 will be offered the job tomorrow.
 - Paperwork and Fingerprinting will be done by next Board Meeting they will already be working.

Frances wanted to know how many IA's, the school will have. Susan answered, 11 IA's and 7 NTA's.

Larry wanted to know the salary for them. Susan answered that IA's start at \$12.50 with 3.5 hrs. a day and NTA's start at \$11.00 with 2.5 hrs. a day.

- B. FCOE CHELPA—New for 2017-18
- Susan shared that FCOE CHELPA was less expensive than SELPA. These services are done through Fresno County.
 - CHELPA has been approved this year. We have had training on what the expectations are and how our students will benefit.

- Fresno County operates their high needs facility. Students with these needs are transferred to this program.
- We have an Occupational Psychologist and Speech Therapist.
- Before we use to get a therapist just for short amount of time. We have the Psychologist 2 days on campus instead of 1.

Brenda wanted to know how many IEP's, we have. Susan answered that we have about 40 cases. Also added that Mr. G. has a caseload of about 25 students.

- We have been able to improve our program. Only change is administration from SELPA to CHELPA.

Jere wanted to know what the difference was in money for the program from Fresno Unified to Fresno County. Susan answered that it was about \$15,000. In which the money saved can be diverted and used somewhere else and still get benefits.

- Will keep updated as we move forward with the new program.

Frances wanted to know where the money to pay nurse comes from. The answer was that the nurse is paid through supplemental funding. We have a nurse for 6 hrs. since there is a need for the students.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40pm.

Frances asks for a motion to adjourn...Brenda makes the motion to adjourn...Larry seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed

Vote FD-Yes GS-Absent JG-Absent TS-Absent JR-Yes LA-Yes BP-Yes
Motion Carried

VII. NEXT MEETING: Aug. 24, 2017